

Little Falls, P. Q.

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The Secretary of the Royal Institution  
of South Wales, Swansea,

Dear Sir,

I have in hand  
the preparation of a biography  
of the late Sir W. C. Logan, for  
so many years Director of the  
geological survey of Canada, and  
am anxious to obtain fuller par-  
ticulars <sup>than I have</sup> concerning his life in South  
Wales and of his connection with  
the Royal Institution. I find that  
he was at one time Honorary Secretary  
of your Institution, and Curator  
of the geological department of  
the museum; also that he  
presented the Institution with collections



of birds, minerals and metallurgical products, besides books, drawings and laboratory apparatus. The birds are said to be "indigenous and migratory birds of Canada" and to have been both shot & stuffed by himself. Possibly you can tell me whether this is really the case and also when the collection was made and when presented to your museum. I find it stated that he shot the birds while on a visit to ~~Canada~~ Canada in 1829, but this cannot be correct as he was in London nearly the whole of that year.

Perhaps also you can tell me whether the "drawings" presented to your Institution are some of his original sketches and if so what the subjects are.

I should much like to obtain



Copies of the "Annual Reports"  
 of the Institution  
 published during the ~~time~~ <sup>periods</sup> that  
 Logan was ~~in~~ connected with  
 it and also of any papers  
 which he may have read at  
 that time. The "Annual Report"  
 for 1839 is said to contain his  
 paper on Stigmaries, but I  
 have not seen it.

If you can give me any  
 information with regard to these  
 matters, I shall be most  
 thankful.

Yours truly

R. G. W.



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Secretary of Royal  
Inst. of South Wales